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Dr. Joshua Lederberg  
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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

In writing you, I feel very much like an XYY, "very tall and showing dampened intelligence." The truth is that I find your column heavy going, and am sure, in my own moist mind, that it cannot be syndicated in its present form.

What is frustrating is that it is not merely a matter of individual words, phrases, sentences or paragraphs. The entire feature has a scholarly cast which would severely limit its audience. I attempted to rework one column into a form acceptable to both author and public but found my own ignorance an insurmountable blockade.

I am truly sorry to have to turn this down, for some of the subjects are fascinating. If you would like to try some XY syndicate editor, I shall be happy to supply you with the names of some editors, and the syndicates' names and addresses.

Very sincerely,

*Stanleigh Arnold*

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General Manager

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